

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Rule 1.53(b) Divisional Application of USSN: 09/920,927

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits and calculating the fees, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Arguments/Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.